Formulas for Land-Based Water Pollution Control Systems

Area of Square or Rectangle (ft^2) = length x width

Area of Circle (ft²) = 3.14 x radius² = π x radius² = π r²

Volume of Rectangular Tank (ft^3) = length x width x depth

Volume of Cylindrical Tank (ft³) = area x height = π r² x h

Volume of Tank (gal) = volume of tank (ft³) x 7.48 gal/ft³

Detention Time (unit of time) = $\frac{\text{volume (gallons or ft}^3)}{\text{flow (volume/unit of time)}}$

Pounds per day (lbs/day) = concentration (mg/L) x flow (MGD) x 8.34 lb/gal

Pounds per year (lbs/year) = mg/L x MGY (annual effluent application) X 8.34 lb/gal

Concentration (mg/L) = $\frac{lbs}{flow (MGD) \times 8.34 lb/gal}$

Dry weight concentration (mg/kg) = $\frac{\text{mg/L}}{\text{% solids}}$

Wet weight concentration $(mg/L) = mg/kg \times % solids$

Pounds per dry ton = $mg/kg \times .002$

Gallons = $\frac{\text{Dry tons x 2000 lbs/ton}}{8.34 \text{ lbs/gal x \% solids}}$ Dry tons = $\frac{\text{Gallons x 8.34 lbs/gal x \% solids}}{2000 \text{ lbs/ton}}$

Flow Rate (volume/unit time) = area (ft^2) x velocity (feet per minute)

Hydraulic Loading Rate $(gpd/ft^2) = \frac{flow (gpd)}{area (ft^2)}$

Hydraulic Soils Loading Rate (in/day) = $\frac{\text{flow (gpd)}}{27,152 \text{ gal/acre-inch} \times \text{area (acres)}}$

Horsepower = $\frac{\text{flow (gpm) } \text{ x total dynamic head (TDH)}}{3960 \text{ x pump efficiency x motor efficiency}}$

Pump Delivery Rate = volume pumped (gal) pump run time

Pump Delivery Rate Efficiency (%) = Measured pump delivery rate (gpd) X 100 design pump delivery rate (gpd)

 $\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{acre-in}} = 0.2266 \text{ x mg/L}$

Plant Available Nitrogen (PAN)

Surface application = $[MR \times (TKN - NH_4)] + (0.5 \times NH_4) + NO_3 + NO_2$

Subsurface application = $[MR x (TKN - NH_4)] + NH_4 + NO_3 + NO_2$

where: MR = Mineralization Rate

TKN = Total Kjeldhal Nitrogen

Sodium Adsorption Ratio (SAR) = $\frac{\text{Na meq/L}}{\sqrt{0.5 \times (\text{Ca meq/L} + \text{Mg meq/L})}}$

Exchangeable Sodium Percentage (ESP) = $\frac{\text{Na (meq) x 100}}{\text{CEC (meq)}}$

 $Milliequivalent/L (meq/L) = \frac{Concentration (mg/L)}{Equivalent weight}$

 $ALE = \frac{\text{tons sludge}}{\text{tons ag-lime}} \quad x \quad \frac{\text{tons ag-lime}}{\text{acre}}$

Travel speed for spreader (mph) = $\frac{\text{spreader load (gallons or tons)} \times 495}{\text{time (min)} \times \text{width (ft)} \times \text{application rate (gal or tons/acre)}}$

Precipitation rate for stationary sprinklers (in/hr) = $\frac{96.3 \times \text{discharge rate (gpm)}}{\text{sprinkler spacing (ft)}}$

Time of operation (hours) = $\frac{\text{target application depth (in)}}{\text{precipitation rate (in/hr)}}$

Travel speed for traveling gun sprinkler (in/min) = \frac{19.3 \ x \ sprinkler discharge rate (gpm)}{|ane spacing (ft) \ x \ application depth (in)}

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